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Two new combinations in the genus *Distephanus* Cass. (Asteraceae, Vernonieae)

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Abstract

New combinations are provided in *Distephanus* for two species from Madagascar.

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Introduction

In the process of recognizing the proper limits of *Distephanus* Cass. a number of combinations have already been made (e. g., Robinson and Khan 1986) and a number of combinations remain to be done. The following two combinations are needed now because of recent entries in GenBank. Descriptions of both species can be found in Humbert (1960).

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Systematics

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